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Red China and the U.N.

Should the Peking regime be seated in the United Nations to represent China? A heated debate on this question is expected in the current session of the General Assembly which started on Sept. 21. It has been argued that since China is a great power with nuclear devices, no effective disarmament can be attained without its participation, and that in view of Peking's strong influence on Southeast Asia, no negotiated settlement for Vietnam can be obtained without its consent.

These arguments would be meaningful only if the Chinese Communists were genuinely interested in disarmament and also were prepared to stop their aggression and subversion. Let us take a look at what the Chinese Communists themselves have asserted and how they have behaved on these basic questions.

The Chinese Communists have made it clear that their determination to "liberate" Taiwan by armed force is unshakable, and have repeatedly threatened to intervene in the Vietnam conflict to "liberate" the people of South Vietnam and to help North Vietnam resist the United States "aggression." As pointed out by Lin Piao, they regard it as their sacred duty to foment and support the peoples in Asia, Africa and Latin America for a global people's war against the United States and the Western European countries.

The attitude of the Chinese Communists toward the United Nations during the past 15 years has been full of hostilities, insults and denunciations. They launched an outright armed attack against the United Nations forces in Ko-

rea, and continued to denounce the latter as an aggressor. They refused to take part in the discussion on the question of the Taiwan strait in the Security Council. Every peace-keeping operation undertaken by the United Nations has been denounced by them as an act of aggression and crime. Recently they even described the United Nations as "an instrument of aggression" completely manipulated by the United States imperialists and as "a dirty place for the imperialists to divide their loot." They went so far as to urge the downfall of the United Nations itself and the formation of a new rival organization led by the Peking Djakarta Axis.

The Chinese Communists have belittled disarmament talks, characterizing them as merely a means to "camouflage the further expansion of armament and aggression on the part of the United States imperialists."

The idea that we should first admit the Peking regime to the United Nations in order to achieve a negotiated peace in Vietnam makes as little sense as to suggest that we should appoint a gangster as a police commissioner to prevent him from committing further crimes. Such an idea is both ridiculous and unjust.

The assumption that the Chinese Communists would reform and behave themselves merely because they were given China's seat in the United Nations is extremely unrealistic, unwise and even dangerous.

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